

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

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MUR 5165

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Citizens for the Republic

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Angela Buchanan, as treasurer

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SENSITIVE

GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT #2

I. ACTION RECOMMENDED

Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement submitted by Citizens for the Republic and Angela Buchanan, as treasurer.

II. BACKGROUND

On January 10, 2001, the Commission found reason to believe that Citizens for the Republic and Carolyn Robertson, as treasurer (the "Respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(i). The Commission also voted to enter into preprobable cause conciliation with the Respondents. Attached for the Commission's review is a signed counterproposal to the conciliation agreement approved by the Commission in settlement of this matter.¹ See Attachment 1. A check for the civil penalty has been received. See Attachment 2. This Office recommends that the Commission accept the counterproposal.

III. DISCUSSION OF CONCILIATION AGREEMENT

¹ During the course of this investigation, Carolyn Robertson is referenced throughout the First General Counsel's Report, Conciliation Agreement and Factual and Legal Analysis as treasurer. However, on February 22, 2001, Citizens for the Republic submitted a statement of organization naming Angela Buchanan as its new treasurer, and Ms. Buchanan has signed the conciliation agreement. Since a check for the full amount of the civil penalty has been received, this Office recommends that the Commission accept the signed conciliation agreement by Angela Buchanan and not reopen the investigation as it relates to Carolyn Robertson, the previous treasurer.

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Accept the attached conciliation agreement submitted by Citizens for the Republic and Angela Buchanan, as treasurer.
2. Close the file.
3. Approve the appropriate letter.

Lois G. Lerner
Acting General Counsel

3/1/01
Date

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Attachment

Signed Conciliation Agreement
Civil Penalty Check

Staff Assigned: Wendy Smallwood-Peele
Jack Gould



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

MEMORANDUM

TO: Office of the Commission Secretary
FROM: Office of General Counsel *SCW*
DATE: February 28, 2001
SUBJECT: MUR 5165-General Counsel's Report #2

The attached is submitted as an Agenda document for the Commission Meeting of _____

Open Session _____

Closed Session _____

CIRCULATIONS

SENSITIVE ☒
NON-SENSITIVE ☐

72 Hour TALLY VOTE ☒
24 Hour TALLY VOTE ☐
24 Hour NO OBJECTION ☐
INFORMATION ☐
96 Hour TALLY VOTE ☐

DISTRIBUTION

COMPLIANCE ☒
Open/Closed Letters ☐
MUR ☐
DSP ☐
STATUS SHEETS ☐
Enforcement ☐
Litigation ☐
PFESP ☐
RATING SHEETS ☐
AUDIT MATTERS ☐
LITIGATION ☐
ADVISORY OPINIONS ☐
REGULATIONS ☐
OTHER ☐